See Also: [L.D. Caskey, Curator of Classical Art, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston]

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[Lillian Goodfellow letters from the Caskey file have also been scanned here.]

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Answered July 25 1928

NATURAL BRIDGE RANCH
PAYSON, GILA CO., ARIZ.

July 16th 1928.

To the
Principal in the
Roman & Fine Art Dept
of the Museum of Fine Arts
Boston -

Dear Sir

I have a Roman "regal" Arab. struck in the reign of "Emperor Hadrian who reigned in A.D. 97.1 -

Should like to know if it is valuable, & if so - what value to a Collector I am will to sell if I can find a buyer

Yours very truly.
(Mrs.) Lillian Goodfellow

P.S.
It is in perfect preservation & beautifully worked.

NATURAL BRIDGE RANCH
PAYSON, GILA CO., ARIZ.

Aug 2nd 1928

To Mr L. A. Casthay.
Museum of Fine Arts
Boston.

Dear Sir

Am sending you a wax impression of my seal. It is not a coin, as you will see.

I had a collection of Roman Coins & sold them many years ago—

But I learned that this seal is rare & genuine. The material is "Chalcedony". & belongs to the quartz family — very hard — The work marvelous & I have been told it is very valuable. Am enclosing stamps for the return of pkg. Very truly yours

Mrs Lillias Crosthwaite

NATURAL BRIDGE RANCH
PAYSON, GILA CO., ARIZ.

Sept 18th 1926.

Mr L.D Castney.

Dear Sir

I ought to have given you more definite information about that seal- when I sent you the impression.

The seal- is a genuine old Roman seal- of the date it states on impression my husband ploughed it out of the ground in the site of an old Roman camp in Northumberland England - about 40 yrs ago - when we were living there —
We are Scotch — & have been here 31 yrs.
at the time my husband found the seal he asked the opinion of the British Museum, they said it was no doubt genuine but they were not allowed to put a value on any thing. If they

Chick so - They would have to keep
an office force, doing nothing
else - You can see I am not
giving you too much trouble
Send this information to the
Society you have sent the
impression too

Yours very Truly
Mrs Lillie Goodfellow

NATURAL BRIDGE RANCH
PAYSON, GILA CO., ARIZ.

Feb 19th 1928.

Mr. S. P. Noe.

Dear Sir

Your note received Yesterday — I had just written to Mr. Cathey — giving him a little information, "which I should have sent him when I sent the impression of the slab.

There is no doubt of the genuineness — that has been assured long ago — We are Scotch, & about 40 years ago, we were living in the North of England, & There in the site of an old Roman Camp, the slab was ploughed up — I have had it ever since It would be the height of folly for any one to make a thing like that, for no purpose what ever

NATURAL BRIDGE RANCH
PAYSON, GILA CO., ARIZ.

I was sure that the Romans were in Britain at that time.

The British Museum said it was a royal seal — I gave no full reading of the abbreviations on the seal.

Am not giving you this information in the hope of selling — only to show you that it is just what I said it was — a beautiful article

Sincerely
Mrs Lillian E. Goodfellow